

IN THE SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 8, with:

The vertically ~~strait~~ straight movement up and down of table 2 is driven by hydraulic cylinders 6, 7. The hydraulic cylinders may be screw, gear, pawl, pneumatic or electric mechanisms in other embodiments. Raising the table 2 pushes the workpiece 3 against the knife edge A of the knife assembly 1 while the cranks 4, 5 rotate to move the knife, whereby the knife edge cuts a number of small portions in the veneer with each stroke to slice off the workpiece for a complete sheet of veneer, for example. Top and bottom limit switches 8, 9 limit upward and downward movement of the table.